

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to obviate the informality. No new matter has been entered.

Claims 1 and 26 have been amended to clarify the invention and employ more idiomatic English. Claims 3, 5, 8, 10, 13, and 16 have been amended to obviate the several §112 rejections.

Turning to the enablement rejection, the Examiner rejects claims 1-14 and 16-28 under 35 USC §112, first paragraph because the specification fails to enable independent claims 1 and 26. This rejection is improper. Independent claim 1, as amended, requires:

wherein the temporary holding of said lid members by said holder body is realized such that, without said lid members being removed from said surrounding wall members, said temporary holdings of said lid members can be separated from the lid members after said surrounding wall members are completely seal with said lid member.

Support and enablement for claim 1 is found on pages 19-24 in the Specification and FIGs. 4-7D.

Independent claim 26, as amended, requires:

wherein the separation of said holder body from said lid members is done without removing said lid members from said surrounding wall members.

Support and enablement for claim 26 is found on pages 19-24 in the Specification and FIGs. 4-7D.

Thus, independent claims 1 and 26 and claims 2-13 and 17-28, which depend directly or indirectly on claims 1 and 16, respectively, are properly enabled by the Specification.



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Having dealt with all the objections raised by the Examiner, the Application is believed to be in order for allowance. Early and favorable action are respectfully requested.

In the event there are any fee deficiencies or additional fees are payable, please charge them (or credit any overpayment) to our Deposit Account Number 08-1391.

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